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UNEMPLOYMENT ON THE RISE. The Estonian Labor Department has announced that ry 1995, 12,670 people or 1.81% of the country's working age population were officially s unemployed, BNS reported on 18 January. This is a 4.36% increase over the previous number of people looking for work, including those not registered as unemployed, is almost as high, at 34,270. The highest urban unemployment rates are in Narva (3.98%) and 61%), while the capital, Tallinn, has a very low rate (0.26%). -- Saulius Girnius, OMRI, Inc.

M LATVIAN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN 1994. Latvia last year produced industrial 903 million lati ($1.64 billion) in actual 1994 prices, BNS reported on 18 January citing the ics Committee. Production was down 9.3% on 1993 levels, with the volume of 78 of the 120 ant production categories being reduced. But there were increases in timber processing xtraction industry (12%), and the production of transportation equipment (9%). The value of ds was 66.2 million lati or 74.6% of the total production in December. The largest stockpiles ound of the food processing (10.6 million lati) and textile (7.5 million lati) industries. -- Saulius MRI, Inc.

A AND RUSSIA AGREE ON MILITARY TRANSIT. The Lithuanian Foreign Ministry on 16 esented a note to its Russian counterpart extending until the end of 1995 military transit established in an 18 November 1993 agreement, for Russian troops withdrawing from RFE/RL's Lithuanian Service reports. The Russians responded by stating that the trade granting reciprocal most-favored-nation trade status has finally gone into effect. Both sides essions to achieve the agreement signed in November 1993. Lithuania gave up its demand ntries abide by its regulations on dangerous and military cargoes due to go into effect on 1 95. Russia, in turn, settled for an agreement and not a treaty on military transit to and from ." -- Saulius Girnius, OMRI, Inc.